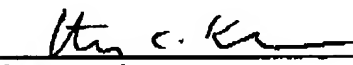


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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated 29 December 2004 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the 29 December 2004 Office Action is due 29 January 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.